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SUBJECT: IAHRC REPORT ON PARAGUAY

REF: STATE 73097; GRAHAM-LANDAU TELCON

1. AS YOU ARE AWARE FROM THE REF MESSAGES, THE GOP HAS IN EFFECT DECLINED TO RECEIVE AN IAHRC MISSION IN PARAGUAY. (THE GOU ALSO REFUSED TO INVITE THE IAHRC.)

2. WE ASSUME GOP IS AWARE OF PROVISIONS OF SEC. 502B OF THE FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT WHICH REQUIRES USG, IN THE FORMULATION AND CONDUCT OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS, TO AVOID IDENTIFICATION WITH COUNTRIES WHICH VIOLATE CONFIDENTIAL

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HUMAN RIGHTS. THE LAW STATES THAT ONE OF THE CRITERIA FOR EVALUATING AN INDIVIDUAL PROGRAM IS THE EXTENT OF A GIVEN GOVERNMENT'S COOPERATION WITH SUCH ORGANIZATIONS AS THE IAHRC. YOU SHOULD TAKE EARLY OPPORTUNITY TO REMIND THE GOP OF THE PROVISIONS OF 502 B, EXPRESS THE HOPE THAT THEIR DECISION IS NOT FINAL AND EXPRESS OUR VIEW THAT AN INVITATION, ON BALANCE, WOULD BE USEFUL TO GOP.

3. FYI. THERE IS EVERY INDICATION THAT PARAGUAY WILL BE
NEXT FOCUS OF CONGRESSIONAL CONCERN REGARDING USASSISTANCE
PROGRAMS FOR AUTHORITARIAN GOVERNMENTS IN THE REGION.

HEARINGS MAY COMMENCE SHORTLY. CONGRESSMAN FRASER'S
OFFICE IS AWARE OF FACT NO INVITATION TO IAHRC WAS
FORTHCOMING FROM GOP.
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